

Electric Shock Therapy

Cheswick, Chief Bromden and Mac are taken for ECT. The significance of this is that it has been used not as therapy but as punishment. They are bound at the wrists and uncertain about what is happening to them—this treatment is not voluntary but forced.

Note the long shot of the corridor full of people and how it empties rapidly when the doctor enters then fills again when he leaves—the audience is compelled to believe that what he does is something bad.

The Chief revealed...

"Aaaah juicy fruit" – reveals that the chief has been pretending to be deaf and dumb. "You fooled them all Chief, you fooled them all."

This reveals how much he has come to trust Mac. 2 shot mid shot shows Chief and Mac together – supported by the quote "You'n me Chief."

Cheswick on the other hand has reverted back to his scared, child-like behaviour.

Rebels

Returning to the ward some time later Mac pretends to be a zombie. Close ups show that the other patients are mortified until he reveals a joke.

Sefelt has been giving Fredrikson his medication and lies to the nurse about it – thi shows growing rebellion as the patients become more influenced by Mac.....